

NOTES AND NEWS

Work in Botany during the Summer Quarters of the next few years at Stanford University, and at the Hopkins Marine Station of Stanford University at Pacific Grove, is contemplated as follows: In 1928 and 1929 a physiologist at Stanford, a morphologist and a physiologist at the Hopkins. In 1930 a physiologist or morphologist at Stanford, probably both at the Hopkins. In 1931 a systematist at Stanford, probably a physiologist and a morphologist at the Hopkins. In 1932 an ecologist at Stanford and the usual staff at the Hopkins.

Attention may also be called to the new Jacques Loeb Laboratory of the Hopkins Marine Station, devoted to the physiology of plants and animals, where instruction and research will be carried on as soon as the laboratory building, now under construction, is completed, presumably in June, 1928.

Dr. William Newton who has been assistant professor of Botany at the University of California at Los Angeles left the first of the year (January, 1928) for Agassiz, British Columbia, where he will be a plant pathologist of the Dominion Department of Agriculture. His particular work will be on the virus diseases of truck crops.

Dr. Arthur Monrad Johnson who was at the University of Minnesota until 1924, is lecturer in Systematic Botany at the University of California at Los Angeles for the year 1927-28. He is preparing a monograph of the genus *Saxifraga* and a revision of the genus *Helianthus* of North America. While in Minnesota he worked on the flora of the Minnesota National Forest.

Dr. Carl C. Epling, assistant professor of Botany (Systematic) at the University of California at Los Angeles, is at Kew, England, on leave from the University for the year 1927-28.

Collections of fossil plants from the Oligocene sandstone along the Pacific Highway, one and a half miles south of Goshen, Oregon, have been made by Dr. R. W. Chaney of the Carnegie Institution and by Miss Ethel I. Sanborn of the University of Oregon. These collections are now at the University of California, where a careful study of the plant impressions is being made by Dr. Chaney and Miss Sanborn, who is at present a graduate student at Stanford University. The plants from this bed indicate a warmer climate for this region than that of the other floras of this period on the Pacific Coast.

Since the 1924 issue of *Madroño* two members of the Society have passed away. One, Mr. Alfred L. Walker, was well known as a constant attendant on the field trips and as the Society's authority on drug plants. Gentle, kindly, courteous, he was much beloved. The other, A. J. Soares, also often joined the field trips. He was known to many members for his exquisite, colored photographs of the native flowering plants. Both of these members will be missed.